

# New activity of ISOE Asian Technical Center

*ALARA benchmarking at Takahama NPP in 2017*

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# ISOE

## Asian Technical Center

- 12 nuclear utilities and 2 regulatory authorities from Republic of Korea and Japan
- 83 reactors (incl. operational and shutdown) as of December 2018
- Activities of ATC can be roughly divided into two types
  - ✓ To collect and manage ISOE databases
  - ✓ To organize the symposia for exchange of information

# Benchmarking and ISOE

- Definition of “benchmarking”

*“The use of something as a standard in order to improve your own work, products, or processes”*

- Many benchmarking visit reports are available on ISOE web.
- CEPN developed “ALARA Evaluation Guide” to evaluate the application of the ALARA Principle in 2013
- ATC used the guide as a standard for benchmarking at Takahama NPP in 2017

# Utility and NPP

- Kansai Electric Power Co., Inc. (KEPCO)
  - ✓ Is one of Japanese utility ≠ Korea Electric....
  - ✓ Has operational area of Kansai region in Japan
  - ✓ Has 11 reactors on 3 sites...Mihama, Ohi, Takahama
- Takahama NPP
  - ✓ Is located on the central of the main island
  - ✓ 4 PWRs give a total capacity of 3,392 MW
  - ✓ Takahama-1 entered commercial operation in 1974



(Source) KEPCO Website

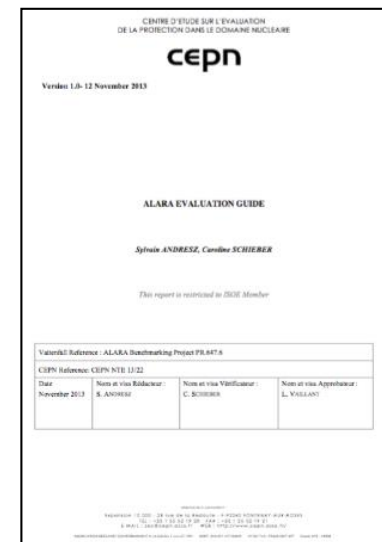
# Outline of the benchmarking

- Date: 25 - 27 Oct 2017
- Total of 27 participants from utilities and regulatory authorities
- **Program of benchmarking**
  - ✓ Day1: Introduction of the Guide →  
Utility's RP programs and activities → Group Discussion
  - ✓ Day2: Site Visit → Group Discussion
  - ✓ Day3: Technical visit



# “ALARA Evaluation Guide”

- CEPN developed this guide
  - ✓ To evaluate the application of the ALARA Principle
  - ✓ Many actions from reports and guidelines published by IAEA or NEA...
  - ✓ 6 topics and levels
- Benchmarking visits at Swedish NPPs using this guide
  - ✓ How and results
- This guide is available on ISOE web.



# Utility's activities

- **Development of ALARA tools by themselves**
  - ✓ Self-standing rack for temporary shielding



- **Emergency response arrangements**
  - ✓ Radiation monitoring in emergency response situation

(Ambient dose rate)  
· NaI scintillation detector  
· Semiconductor detector



Portable monitoring post



Monitoring car



# Results

- **Identification of Good Practices**
  - ✓ Use of visual reminders
  - ✓ Comparison with other reactors and taking measures
- **Formulation of Recommendations**
  - ✓ More involvement of RP department in planning for outage work
  - ✓ Clarification of dose management for temporary visitors
- **Formulation of Suggestions**
  - ✓ Alternative ways to save time for setting up the temporary shielding
  - ✓ .....



# Results

- Confirmed Good practices / Recommendations / Suggestions and shared them with the participants
- Benchmarking was a good opportunity to exchange their own experience of radiation protection
  - ✓ Participants: Not only RPM but also young staff
  - ✓ Benchmarking with colleagues ≠ IAEA, WANO reviews
- The next is scheduled at Ikata NPP in Shikoku this November



(Source) Shikoku Electric Power Co.,Inc. Website

# Thank you for listening

